

Valid reasons for accessing confidential personal information.

Pursuant to the requirements of division (B)(2) of section 1347.15 of the Revised Code, this rule contains a list of valid reasons, directly related to the Ohio department of health's exercise of its powers or duties, for which only employees of the agency may access confidential personal information (CPI) regardless of the whether the personal information system is a manual system or computer system:

(A) Performing the following functions constitute valid reasons for authorized employees of the agency to access confidential personal information:

- (1) Responding to a public records request;
- (2) Responding to a request from an individual for the list of CPI the agency maintains on that individual;
- (3) Administering a constitutional provision or duty;
- (4) Administering a statutory provision or duty;
- (5) Administering an administrative rule provision or duty;
- (6) Complying with any state or federal program requirements;
- (7) Processing or payment of claims or otherwise administering a program with individual participants or beneficiaries;
- (8) Auditing purposes;
- (9) Licensure (or permit, eligibility, filing, etc.) processes;
- (10) Investigation or law enforcement purposes;
- (11) Administrative hearings;
- (12) Litigation, complying with an order of the court, or subpoena;
- (13) Human resource matters (e.g., hiring, promotion, demotion, discharge, salary/compensation issues, leave requests/issues, time card approvals/issues);
- (14) Complying with an executive order or policy;
- (15) Complying with an agency policy or a state administrative policy issued by the department of administrative services, the office of budget and management or other similar state agency; or
- (16) Complying with a collective bargaining agreement provision.

(B) To the extent the general processes described in paragraph (A) of this rule do not cover the circumstances under consideration, for the purpose of carrying out

specific duties of the Ohio department of health, authorized employees would also have valid reasons for accessing CPI as set forth in any applicable policy adopted by the department of health.

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